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DOCUMENTARY FOCUSES ON AMERICA'S MOST-PRODUCTIVE, MOST-SUBSIDIZED GRAIN: CORN

Unique Partnership Allows Participants to View Films Before Their Broadcast Dates

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library will host a preview screening of *King Corn* a film by Aaron Woolf, Curt Ellis and Ian Cheney, Wednesday, March 12, at 6:30 PM in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is **FREE** to the public.

Almost everything Americans eat contains corn: high fructose corn syrup, corn-fed meat, and corn-based processed foods are the staples of the modern diet. In *King Corn*, Ian Cheney and Curt Ellis, best friends from college on the east coast, move to the heartland to learn where their food comes from. With the help of friendly neighbors, genetically modified seeds, and powerful herbicides, they plant and grow a bumper crop of America's most-productive, most-subsidized grain on one acre of Iowa soil. But when they try to follow their pile of corn into the food system, what they find raises troubling questions about how we eat—and how we farm.

Community Cinema is affiliated with the independent media organization, Independent Television Service. ITVS Community Cinema is a monthly screening series that pairs independently produced documentary films with leading organizations working to resolve related social issues in communities across the country. All film content featured in ITVS Community Cinema will be broadcast nationally on the Emmy Award-winning PBS series Independent Lens. *King Corn* will air in April, 2008.

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